

UNSELFISH EFFORTS OF THE CHURCH LEADERS.

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Unity of Presidency and Apostles in Laboring for Zion—Bondage of Debt to be Shunned—Labor Should be Created for the Young—Tithing a Beneficent Law—Procrastination to be Avoided.

I am truly grateful to our Heavenly Father for this privilege of speaking at our Semi-annual conference to the Saints of the Most High, and I shall claim an interest in the opening prayer made by Brother Young, that the Spirit of the Lord will attend those who address this congregation. I shall also ask you, my dear brethren and sisters, to give me your faith and prayers, as requested by the Prophet of the Lord; for I have had experience enough in speaking to the Saints to know that without their faith and prayers and the assistance of the Spirit of the Lord, I can say nothing that will be of interest to the people. I have no desire in my heart to say aught this morning but that which will be for the benefit of the members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

I am of the opinion that there is not a soul present in this vast audience but can say that the Lord has truly blessed them in more ways than one since our last conference. I am thankful that the principles of the Church to which we belong are so broad that they not only cover our spiritual welfare, but extend farther and cover our temporal welfare. As President Snow referred this morning to our material interests, I wished to myself that the people of this Church knew the true feelings and desires of the Presidency and Twelve Apostles of this Church with regard to the material interests of every member of the Church. I bear testimony to you concerning what President Snow said in regard to the unity that exists among the Presidency of this Church and the Twelve Apostles. Unity and love truly exist with them, and I would that the same spirit extended to every member of the Church. My belief is that if that unity and love existed among all the people, together with a determination to do only that which God requires, the power of the Church and of the members thereof would be so far-reaching that all hell and the devil himself could have no power over this organization. I do not believe that the love, union and determination of the Presidency and Twelve were ever greater since the Church was organized than at the present time. Our desire is to do nothing but that which will advance the interests of the Church and Kingdom of God. We want the people to be prepared for the coming of the Son of God—which I say to you, my brethren and sisters, is nearer than many of us anticipate.

LABORING FOR ZION.

I ask you, my brethren and sisters, to be prayerful and humble, and to seek the same spirit that the Presidency and the Apostles have; and I promise you that you shall have a testimony that they are working for your interest and for the advancement of the Church of God upon this earth. The quorum of the Twelve Apostles visit every Stake in the Church. They go into the homes of the people; they listen, not only to the complaints of the people, but also to the desires of the Saints. They know the true feelings of their hearts; they know their virtues and their shortcomings. I do not believe, therefore, that there are any better capable of judging as to what the members of this Church require than the Apostles and the Presidency of the Church. Moreover, their labor to this end, to the advancement of the spiritual welfare of the Saints, but also their temporal interests. There is scarcely a day passes without some of them meeting together to consider matters of great importance to the people, and among them none greater than the salvation of our youth. These questions are talked over and the brethren become familiar with and instructed regarding them, and then they go forth to teach the people how to avoid many of the conditions and evils that are existing, some of which have been so trying to the souls of the Latter-day Saints.

DEBT TO BE SHUNNED.

I desire now to mention one thing that has brought sorrow to many a home, and that is, so many Latter-day Saints running in debt and not knowing how to get out of it. It is my hope and desire that the brethren and sisters who are in debt, that they have been sounded among the Stakes of Zion for the last year or more, advising the Saints to keep out of debt, and that those who are in debt to get out as soon as possible, will be helped by the Latter-day Saints; for I tell you that to an honest man there is no bondage controlled by human laws upon the face of the earth greater than the bondage of debt. I trust that the note of warning which has been given by the Apostles in all the Stakes of Zion, at the quarterly conferences, will be heeded by those who are in debt and by all people. Ask God's blessings upon your efforts in this direction, and at the same time remember the Lord in your times and your offerings, and He will bless you and so shape your circumstances that relief will come unto you who are in debt. And when you are relieved, do not go in debt any more. The improvement made by the people in this regard during the past six months is marvellous from all I hear, and I pray God that this improvement will continue until the time shall come when not only the Church will be absolutely out of debt, but when each of the members of the Church will be able to say, "I owe no man a dollar that I cannot pay." Then when we are in this position, whatever call may be made upon us or wherever we may be called to go by the servants of the Lord, we can say that we are ready to go and fulfill the call without being under obligations to anyone; we can perform the duty that God requires at our hands, because we are free. How much better this would be than to be in the position that some of the brethren are in at present. President Snow reported this morning that some who were called on missions replied that they had a desire to go, but their circumstances were such that they really could not leave. These "buts" are put in a great many times when they have no right to be put in by men holding the Priesthood of the Son of God, who are supposed to be minute men and ready to go anywhere when called.

CREATE LABOR FOR THE YOUNG.

I also desire this morning to call your attention to the early days of this great commonwealth of ours. Allow me to refer you to the memory of that great man, President Brigham Young, and to some of the fundamental principles pertaining to our temporal welfare which he taught so strongly. One thing that he advocated long and loud was that

the people should place themselves in a position to create labor for their sons and daughters. Are we doing this? I am afraid that we have almost forgotten that there was such a principle advanced. Who taught home manufacture more than President Brigham Young? Who preached oftener and stronger and put his money into those institutions more than did President Brigham Young? We are raising young men by the thousands in this fair State of ours, and do we ever stop to think what they are going to do for a living? I hope my brethren and sisters, that I will think of this, and that we will, so far as possible, establish such industries here as will give employment to our young men and young women. I also feel that the fathers and mothers of this Church should begin to realize the importance of instructing their boys in the responsibilities of life, or thinking of how they are going to fulfill the requirements that will be made of them as husbands and fathers. They do not stop to consider these things. I want to say that this is not an undeveloped country now as it used to be, nor has it unlimited homesteads for all new comers, and we ought to begin to think what our sons and daughters will do when they are grown up and are to live in the future. Take almost every institution that is started now by the people here, where skilled labor is required, and do what you can to get the head of the different departments. Take, for example, the Provo Woolen Mills. Can I get a Utah boy to start in the dye room and learn the trade, and stick to it until he knows every detail of the business? No, I cannot. The result is, we are compelled to send east to get a man who has lived in a community where it was absolutely necessary for him to learn every detail of the business. In order to take charge of that department, and it is so with other departments. I hope we will begin, as fathers and mothers, to see our responsibility in relation to our children, and take care that they learn a trade. So far as I am personally concerned, if I were possessed of millions of money I would desire every son of mine to have a trade at his finger ends, so that if everything were swept away from him he could fall back on his trade and make an honest living. I wish that every son in this fair State, and especially in this Church, was in this position.

TITHING A BENEFICENT LAW.

I had a young man come to me a short time ago and ask for an explanation of some remarks he had heard Brother Grant make concerning tithing. He said that at a meeting the other day he had heard Brother Grant express the belief that a man who paid his tithing honestly—one-tenth of all God gave him—would be better prepared to fulfill his obligations to his nine-tenths and it would go further than the whole, and he did not believe it. He said he came to me as one who had studied financial matters, and was sure that taking his own case to ninety cents could go farther than one dollar. I thought a minute or two and then decided to take his own case for an example. I asked him if he would object to my taking his own case to prove to him the truth of what Brother Grant had said. Certainly not, he said. All right, said I, I will prove to you by your own acts that what Brother Grant said was an absolute fact, and I believe it is so in nine hundred and ninety-nine cases out of a thousand, if not in every case. I then remarked to him: "I was going to a conference not long ago, and I have you out driving on the Sabbath with a two-seated rig, at a time when you ought to have been at meeting." "Yes," he said, "I remember." "What did you pay for that rig?" I asked. "It only cost me four dollars," he replied. "What are you getting a month?" "Forty-five dollars a month," "Then," said I, "this would almost have paid your tithing for your wages for that month and you could have claimed the blessings of the Lord instead of breaking the law of God pertaining to the Sabbath." I said to him, "You, my brethren and sisters, that the law of tithing is not a question of dollars and cents alone, but believe that the man who pays his honest tithing to God will not only be blessed by God himself, but that the nine-tenths will reach farther than would the tenth if he did not obey that law; for the man who believes in the law of tithes and offerings, believes also in the other requirements made by God of him, and he does not spend money in breaking the Sabbath day, nor in going to places where his very soul is in danger of partaking of things that are not good for a Latter-day Saint to receive. I testify as

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The Pyramid Pile Cure has been a pleasant surprise to thousands of sufferers, because of the instant relief it gives and the prompt cure which follows its regular use, and this is done without the use of opiates, cocaine, narcotics or poisons of any kind, as careful analysis shows the Pyramid Pile Cure to be wholly free from any injurious drug whatever.

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I was a sufferer from piles for years until a brother salesman told me about the Pyramid Pile Cure. It has entirely cured me and I cheerfully recommend it."

Mrs. D. E. Reed, of Albany, says: "I would not take \$500 and be placed back where I was before I used the Pyramid Pile Cure; I suffered for years and it is now eighteen months since I used it and not the slightest trace of the trouble has returned."

Mrs. Hinkley, of Indianapolis, was told by her physician that nothing but a surgical operation, costing between seven and eight hundred dollars, could cure her as she had suffered fifteen years, yet even in such a case the Pyramid Pile Cure has effected a complete cure; she says: "I knew an operation would be death to me and tried the Pyramid with very little hope, so it is not to be wondered at that I am so enthusiastic in its praise."

Dr. J. H. Smith, of St. Louis, Mo., writes: "I have used the Pyramid Pile Cure for many years, and I can say that it is a most effective and safe remedy for piles in any form, which will give this excellent preparation a trial."

Brother Grant testified: I testified to that young man that I believed what Brother Grant had said, and he was especially sure that I did believe what he said. I thought of it in that light before. Brethren and sisters, there are thousands of dollars spent by the people in breaking the Word of Wisdom from the head of the different departments. This vast sum is sent out of this State and for what? Not for the necessities of life, but for articles the use of which cause the people to break the commandment of the Lord to give us. Let us remind ourselves of the positions that we hold. Let us understand what we are—that we are members of the Church of Christ, that we are the children of God, that we have a special word to do here, and that the Priesthood which has been given us has been given for a purpose. We should realize the importance of this authority, and labor to the end that we may be able to give a true testimony to the spirit of God or the laws of this Church.

There is another thing with our young people, as we as the people generally, that I desire to call your attention to and that is, procrastination—putting off till tomorrow what we ought to do today, and thinking that we will live our religion a little better tomorrow. Let us do the duty of today. Let us do everything required of us today, and not put it off for some future time.

My testimony to you, my brethren and sisters, is this: The Church of God; that Joseph Smith was a prophet of the living God; that his successors down to and including President Snow have been called of God, and that they have given the people the word of God. I hope and trust that this same testimony will be so strong in the hearts of every member of this Church, and especially in the hearts of the young men and young women, that no matter what trial or temptation may come in our way, we can say, Thy will, O Father, be done, and not mine. If we get in this position this Church will grow and increase, and we will be blessed, not only spiritually, but in every way that God can bless a son or daughter of His. To this end I ask God's blessings upon the Church and upon the people, and may peace and plenty be yours forever, with a glorious salvation in the kingdom of God, is my prayer, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

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WHAT CONGRESS PROPOSES NOW.

Elastic Army Bill to Suit the Country's Needs.

OTHER MEASURES COMING UP

Effort to Annex Cuba—Opposed to Ship Subsidy—Big Reduction to be Made in Taxes.

Special Correspondence.

Washington, Dec. 3.—Although Congress did not actually assemble until today, there was more congressional work accomplished in Washington last week than is done in many weeks when Congress is in session. It has been the very necessary committee work of getting bills in shape, so there will be no delay in getting them reported to the House and keeping that body busy.

The ways and means committee has completed the bill to reduce the war taxes, but has not made it public and probably will not do so until it is reported to the House; the committee on military affairs has about agreed to report the bill prepared by the war department, which provides for a regular army, the maximum strength of which shall be 96,000 men and the minimum strength 58,000 men; the committee on rivers and harbors is considering the items which shall be included in the river and harbor bill, but has not yet got far enough advanced to make an intelligent estimate of the total, although it is expected that the bill will carry somewhere in the neighborhood of \$40,000,000, and the committee on appropriations has almost completed the legislative, judicial and executive appropriation bill, which will carry about \$30,000,000.

SHIP SUBSIDY OPPOSED.

The ship subsidy bill is not to have plain sailing. If it gets through at this session of Congress, Representative Burton, of Ohio, chairman of the House committee on rivers and harbors, is out footed against it, and other Republicans, including several members of the Indiana delegation, are expressing opposition to the bill as it stands. If endorsed by the party caucus, the bill can be put through the House easily enough, but if they are determined to position in the Senate it can be hinged up just as easily there. Representative Hull, of Iowa, chairman of the House committee on military affairs, is also enrolled among the opponents of the bill.

WANT CUBA ANNEXED.

Although the administration is pledged to the absolute independence of Cuba, powerful influences are working for the annexation of Cuba. The bill is not to have plain sailing. If it gets through at this session of Congress, Representative Burton, of Ohio, chairman of the House committee on rivers and harbors, is out footed against it, and other Republicans, including several members of the Indiana delegation, are expressing opposition to the bill as it stands. If endorsed by the party caucus, the bill can be put through the House easily enough, but if they are determined to position in the Senate it can be hinged up just as easily there. Representative Hull, of Iowa, chairman of the House committee on military affairs, is also enrolled among the opponents of the bill.

HOW NOT TO BE HELD UP IN ANY CITY.

There is no inviolable rule of conduct which will prevent your being held up—at least an attempt to hold you up. But the following precaution will go long way toward saving you that shock. If they fail then it is fate—you were destined to be a victim.

Walk the street after dark, if you must, as if you were going through a country full of Indians. Keep alert on the outside of the walk, avoid all shadows possible, keep away from alley entrances, angles of buildings and shade trees. Walk quick, head up, hands out of your pocket and ready for action. Keep your mind on where you are and what you are doing.

If you carry a gun learn its mechanism, how to shoot it, and when out in the dark keep it where you can get it quicker than you ever did anything else before in your life.

Fight—in other words, as long as you probably will be beaten anyway as well as robbed, it is better to fight the instant you are attacked than to submit. You may win. The odds are in your favor if you know anything about fighting; have ability to strike quick and to rush. You may not hit hard, but you can surprise, and that is half a victory. But fight anyway, and as you never did before.

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FIGHT FOR NEW RULES.

The old, old fight for a cloture rule in the Senate is again to be made, and

the result is likely to be the same—failure. It is doing just as they please, but it is just what those rules of the Senate were adopted for, and there has always been a majority in the Senate who believed that it was a good thing to have one legislative branch of the government through which legislation could not be railroaded as long as there was a desire to discuss it and more than once these long discussions have convinced the country that the measure discussed ought not to pass, even though it could get a majority if voted upon by the Senate.

CUTTING DOWN TAXES.

It is among the legislative probabilities that the reduction to be made in internal revenue taxation by the bill which is now being prepared by the House ways and means committee will be about doubled when the bill goes to the Senate. The amount of reduction aimed at by the House committee is about \$20,000,000 a year, but a number of senators have expressed the opinion that it should be at least twice as much, and they will try to put their opinions into effect.

BREWERS ON THE FIGHT.

The brewers are fighting hard to get a reduction in the tax on beer. Representatives of their association sought to get the President committed to help them, but he was too wary for them. He listened to all their reasons in the shape of figures showing why the tax ought to be reduced and then told them that he would see that the figures were brought to the attention of the members of the committee now considering the subject. The brewers have about abandoned hope of getting anything from the committee and are preparing to carry the fight into Congress, where they believe they can concentrate enough "pull" to get the reduction they are after.

EFFECT OF SENATOR DAVIS' DEATH.

Senator Davis' death, although expected several days, was a shock to most persons in Washington, including the President and his colleagues in the Senate. Few men in public life have had more or warmer personal friends. As chairman of the Senate committee on foreign relations, he has had much to do with shaping the foreign policy of the present administration, both through legislation and advice. As Senator from Virginia, a political opponent said of him: "While a strict party man, he was never a partisan." It can be truly said of Senator Davis that he will be missed.

Although it is not certain, it is probable that Senator Davis, who is the ranking majority member of the Senate foreign relations committee, will act as chairman of that committee during this session of Congress, leaving the place to be permanently filled at the first session of the next Congress, when numerous other vacancies which will be left by retiring senators will have to be filled.

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EFFECT OF SENATOR DAVIS' DEATH.